GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA

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CHARGING OF USERS DEVELOPMENT FEE FROM OUTBOUND PASSENGERS
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to charge user development fee from the passengers using new airports in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the reasons for charging user development fee when the Government has already been charging airport tax from the passengers?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI PRAFUL PATEL)

(a), (b) & (c): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement in reply to parts (a), (b) & (c) of Lok Sabha Starred ( ) Question No. 375 for 17.04.2008 regarding Charging of users Development Fee from Outbound Passengers.

(a) & (b) An airport operator is entitled to collect User Development Fee (UDF) at such rate as the Central Government may specify. This has been mandated in the Aircraft Rules, 1937.

(c) Passenger Service Fee (PSF) @ Rs. 200/- per passenger is being charged at all the airports. PSF is towards provision of security and passenger facilitation whereas UDF is a fee leviable to meet cost and recovery gaps, if any.